

PN271 Coast Guard nominations (192) beginning Christine K. Alexander, and ending Adam M. Ziegler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of January 28, 2003.

FOREIGN SERVICE

PN270 Foreign Service nominations (7) beginning Lyle J. Sebranek, and ending Margaret K. Ting, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of January 28, 2003.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, we have agreed to have votes on several pending amendments. I tell my colleagues, I am disappointed we are going to go out of session shortly. We stated our intention to stay in session, stay in business, to receive amendments late into the night, to work to pass and/or to modify, to accept or to come up with second degree amendments. We did not get as many amendments done as I had hoped.

We plan on being on this resolution from 9:30 in the morning until midnight tomorrow. So I do not want colleagues coming to me and saying they did not have a chance to offer their amendment. They had a chance tonight. They will have a chance tomorrow. I am trying to avoid a calamity towards the end called a "vote-athon" that we have had in the past. My colleague from Nevada and I know that is not the way the Senate should work, and we should avoid it if we possibly can.

We are going to be in on the bill tomorrow morning at 9:30. I urge Members, if they have amendments, please share those amendments with us. I have not seen any amendments that are expected to be offered by our colleagues on the other side of the aisle. I would like to see them. We would like to review them. We would like to analyze them. We would like to know what we are voting on.

I urge our colleagues on the other side of the aisle, if they have amendments, please share those with us. Likewise, I say to any of my colleagues, if they have amendments, I would like to share them with the managers on the other side so we can cooperatively work and manage this budget. It is very much the leader's intention and my intention to finish this budget this week.

As with most budgets in the past, I expect we will have a lot of votes. It needs to be done in a way that we know what we are voting on. So I make those editorial comments. Again, I want to thank my colleagues from Nevada and North Dakota. Both have been a pleasure to work with. I hope we will have greater progress in moving amendments.

I mentioned in our unanimous consent request, which has already been agreed upon, we have three votes. My expectation would be that we would have several other votes tacked on in

addition to those. I hope we will have substantive amendments.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2003

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 20. I further ask that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate resume consideration of S. Con. Res. 23, the concurrent budget resolution; provided further that there be 14½ hours remaining for debate on the resolutions with 6½ hours remaining under the control of the chairman of the Budget Committee and 8 hours remaining under the control of the ranking member.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The Democratic whip.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, in response to the earlier statements of my dear friend, the distinguished Senator from Oklahoma, we have worked hard the last few days trying to work our way through this very difficult legislation. It is always this way. It is very difficult. The reason we do it this way is it is statutory. We are doing our best.

We stand on the brink of a war. The two leaders have met today to talk about the fact that when this does start, there will be a pause of some time to be determined by the leaders so that Members can speak about what is going on in Iraq. I think I speak for the entire Senate in this regard, as we leave the Senate tonight, our thoughts and our prayers are with the Commander in Chief of the United States military, George Bush, and also with the hundreds of thousands of American troops who are standing ready to go do what is appropriate at this time.

We recognize there are some who feel this is not the right time, but as Americans we always rally around our troops. This time is going to be no different. The minute the first shot is fired, with rare exception, all Americans will be recognizing what we feel here tonight is that there is a strong sense of urgency to making sure that we do the business of this Nation in the Senate and work to complete whatever business is necessary to make sure those people who are fighting for us—lives are going to be lost—have everything they need and more.

As we retire tonight, I think I speak for the entire Senate when I say our thoughts and prayers are with those who have to make this momentous decision, especially the President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma.

Mr. NICKLES. I thank my friend and colleague from Nevada for his comments in support of the President and

the troops. We do wish them Godspeed and God's blessing and protection as well.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. NICKLES. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 9:15 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, March 20, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate March 19, 2003:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

PAMELA J. H. SLUTZ, OF TEXAS, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO MONGOLIA.

ERIC M. JAVITS, OF NEW YORK, FOR THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR DURING HIS TENURE OF SERVICE AS UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COLONEL JOHN C. ADAMS, 0000
COLONEL CHARLES B. ALLEN, 0000
COLONEL CHARLES A. ANDERSON, 0000
COLONEL OSCAR R. ANDERSON, 0000
COLONEL JOHN R. BARTLEY, 0000
COLONEL KEVIN J. BERGNER, 0000
COLONEL BRUCE A. BERWICK, 0000
COLONEL NOLEN V. BIVENS, 0000
COLONEL DANIEL P. BOLGER, 0000
COLONEL DOYLE D. BROOMB JR., 0000
COLONEL ALBERT BRYANT JR., 0000
COLONEL ROBERT L. CASLEN JR., 0000
COLONEL JAMES E. CHAMBERS, 0000
COLONEL BERNARD S. CHAMPOUX, 0000
COLONEL ANTHONY A. CUCOLO III, 0000
COLONEL MICHAEL C. FLOWERS, 0000
COLONEL JEFFREY W. FOLEY, 0000
COLONEL YVES J. FONTAINE, 0000
COLONEL REBECCA S. HALSTEAD, 0000
COLONEL KARL R. HORST, 0000
COLONEL MICHAEL D. JONES, 0000
COLONEL PURL K. KEEN, 0000
COLONEL DAVID B. LACQUEMENT, 0000
COLONEL STANLEY H. LILLIE, 0000
COLONEL THOMAS C. MAFFEY, 0000
COLONEL FRANCIS G. MAHON, 0000
COLONEL JOSEPH E. MARTZ, 0000
COLONEL RAYMOND V. MASON, 0000
COLONEL JOHN F. MULHOLLAND, 0000
COLONEL PATRICK J. OREILLY, 0000
COLONEL MARK V. PHELAN, 0000
COLONEL JOSEPH SCHROEDER, 0000
COLONEL JOHN E. STERLING JR., 0000
COLONEL RANDOLPH P. STRONG, 0000
COLONEL JAMES L. TERRY, 0000
COLONEL WILLIAM J. TROY, 0000
COLONEL PETER M. VANGJEL, 0000
COLONEL DENNIS L. VIA, 0000
COLONEL JOSEPH L. VOTEL, 0000
COLONEL FRANCIS J. WIERCINSKI, 0000

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be rear admiral

REAR ADM. (LH) FENTON F. PRIEST III, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be rear admiral

REAR ADM. (LH) PETER L. ANDRUS, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be rear admiral

REAR ADM. (LH) JAMES M. MCGARRAH, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624: